

FROM FAIR VIEW CHURCH.

The Brethren at Fair View have been made to rejoice over a very successful series of revival meetings conducted by our pastor, brother Wm. D. Furry, which closed on the 5th inst., with 21 confessions, 18 of whom have been added to the church by baptism. This meeting awakened great interest in this community and to say nothing of the number of additions made to the church. We believe much good seed has been sown which we trust will bring forth a bountiful harvest in due time. Brother Furry is an earnest worker and an excellent preacher. Being a deep student, his sermons are practical, earnest, thoughtful and to the point. While yet but a young man and having charge of his first pastorate, he bids fair to soon rank among our most successful and popular ministers. Our fall communion services were held last Friday evening, and 66 participated in the services. Most excellent order was preserved, notwithstanding the crowded condition of the church. Brother Furry left for his home in Maryland on the 9th inst., to take a vacation of a few weeks, after which he will return and again take charge of the church for another year.

H. MONROE HARDMAN.

FROM ALTOONA, PA.

I closed a short meeting at Altoona with 23 added by baptism, and 1 by relation. Two applicants yet to be baptized that did not come on account of serious illness. The additions were largely mature minds and will add to the strength of the already zealous band at that place.

The meeting was greatly hindered by my being absent on account of services at Johnstown and this would make a break in the interest, but by odd spells we worked away at that place until such a time as it became necessary to tell the people that it just as much became a part of duty for me to fulfill the last part of the commission as the first, (go teach,) and the people eagerly listened to the teaching of the word on baptism, and after searching the scriptures, many acknowledged and accepted the Apostolic mode. This brings into the church a number of new families and greatly enlarges the borders.

After Brother Wampler held a successful meeting here, two years ago, a church close by, secured a famous pedo-baptist debater (known to us best because of his debate with our beloved Brother Bashor in this state) who had every chance in the world, and with no one to antagonize him, he preached for a solid week on baptism; (think of it, a Pedo-Baptist preaching a whole week on baptism) had

we done so it would be said "it is all water with you. Well, the people listened to him, and are still going into the water for baptism, and but for the fierce opposition many more would go and will go, as soon as possible.

God has been very good to me and on last night in giving the invitation in my own church, two more came forward to seek Christ, and the fire burned brightly in many hearts. Three have been added to the church here, Johnstown, since my last report, and two yet to be baptized.

E. E. HASKINS.

FROM CORNELL, ILL.

Through the blessing of God we are able to once more come to the reading family of our EVANGELIST, and quote a few items concerning our welfare as a people of God. We still hold up our flag of truce in the name of Jesus, our great leader, who has never lost a battle yet, although some may think we are not doing much or getting along very well, but we that work know better than that. God has wonderfully blessed us in many ways. In the way of having the pure Gospel preached unto us. Brother L. S. Bauman does not spare the rod, he is doing a good work here. Preaches for us every second and fourth Sunday of each month. Our prayermeetings are reasonably well attended, with unabated interest. The S. S. C. E. are wide awake to the interest of their Lord and Master.

Yesterday, Dec. 10, was the day for our regular quarterly meeting. A goodly number were interested enough in their Master's work to leave their several occupations and come to the place appointed to meet. Not much business came before us, so we were not long at it. Union and perfect harmony was a grand feature of the occasion, which is as it should be with the people that profess to follow the lowly Nazarine. We have many enemies to fight us on the right hand and on the left, but we are determined to win in the name of Jesus and triumph over all wrong, and after the trials and persecutions of this earth are over, we hope to meet all God's people on the shores of immortal glory, to be with Jesus for ever more. Brethren and sisters pray for us here at Cornell. Yours in the work,

J. J. VANDERREE, Cor. Sec.

FROM JOHNSTOWN, PA.

The Johnstown congregation will hold their semi-annual love feast on Sunday evening, Dec. 29. All of like faith come and participate in this service. All are invited to be present.

E. E. HASKINS.

FROM SALEM, OREGON.

Dear readers of the EVANGELIST, you will no doubt remember of seeing a short letter in the EVANGELIST from this place some less than a year ago, inviting some of the Brethren ministers to this part of the country, and one has accepted the invitation. That is elder B. R. Gerhart, of Sebetha, Kans., who is now located here and is ready for business, but we need a little aid in the way of a start. Brother Gerhart thinks if we could get \$200 from the general brotherhood, that he would then be able to devote his whole time to the cause. We have already partially organized a church with seven members and our aim is to do what we can for the Master's cause. Brother Gerhart preached twelve sermons at our school house, which seemed to take real well with the people. We feel that we have the right kind of a man for the task before us, and we desire to give him what encouragement we can. Yesterday I received a letter from elder W. H. Pullen, of Paradise, Ore. He talks some of coming our way next summer. Brother Gerhart has made an appointment to preach at a church in Macleay next Sunday, and if the prospects are good he may hold several meetings there. This is the place where the G. B's. have preaching the first Sunday of each month. Now brethren pray for us, that we may prove faithful.

Dec. 9.

JAS. B. PARTCH.

FROM BURNS' CHAPEL.

As this is my first report for this conference year, I will report from the beginning of conference year. We hired brother D. A. Hopkins for next year as we do not know of anyone who would fill the place any better than he. Began our conference year with a communion which we enjoyed very much. Had preaching the next morning when there was one chose that good part and was willing to follow her Master. But this was only the beginning of the good work. Brother Hopkins began a protracted meeting Nov. 9, which closed Dec. 1. There were surely showers of blessings received, and prayers were answered. There were twelve added to the church, one from the G. B. brethren, one reclaimed, and ten by conversion. They consisted of fathers and mothers, grandmothers and young people. Two young men were members of our K. C. Society. The spirit of God was felt among the people, and we think there were many counting the cost. Three of the converts were baptized, the others will be baptized in the near future.

MARY W. SAYGER.

JESUS is God's Christmas gift to us.